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(U) Symbols and Logos Used by Pedophiles to Identify Sexual Preferences

(U//FOUO) This intelligence bulletin addresses Crimes Against Children Standing Intelligence Requirements Set contained in Q-FBI-2200-005-06, HRWC CAC-VI.A.5.

(U//LES) Pedophiles, to include those who sexually abuse children as well as those who produce, distribute, and trade child pornography, are using various types of identification logos or symbols to recognize one another and distinguish their sexual preferences. To specifically indicate the pedophile's gender preference, members of pedophilic organizations encourage the use of descriptions such as "boylove", "girllove", and "childlove."[1] These symbols have been etched into rings and formed into pendants, and have also been found imprinted on coins.

(U) The BoyLover logo (BLogo) is a small blue spiral-shaped triangle surrounded by a larger triangle, whereby the small triangle represents a small boy and the larger triangle represents an adult man.[2] A variation of the BLogo is the Little Boy Lover logo (LBLogo), which also embodies a small spiral-shaped triangle within a larger triangle; however, the corners of the LBLogo are rounded to resemble a scribbling by a young child.[3] Images of the BLogo and LBLogo symbols are depicted below.

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(U) BLogo aka "Boy Lover"

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(U) LBLogo aka "Little Boy Lover"

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(U) BLogo imprinted on coins

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(U) BLogo jewelry

(U) The GirlLover logo (GLogo) depicted below is a small heart surrounded by a larger heart, which symbolizes a relationship between an adult male or female and minor girl.

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(U) GLogo a.k.a. "Girl Lover," Childlove

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(U) GLogo Pendant

(U) The ChildLover logo (CLogo), as shown below, resembles a butterfly and represents non-preferential gender child abusers. The Childlove Online Media Activism Logo (CLOMAL), also represented below, is a general purpose logo used by individuals who use online media such as blogs and webcasts.[4]

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(U) CLogo a.k.a. "Child Lover"

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(U) CLOMAL a.k.a. Childlove Online Media Activism

(U//LES) FBI investigations in several cities have uncovered several symbols used by pedophiles to proclaim their attraction to children. After a seizure of a subject's computer in connection with an Innocent Images case in the Jacksonville Division, a Computer Analysis Response Team forensic examiner came across an unfamiliar symbol that was integrated into a Web site banner named "ATBOYS.COM, where the "A" in "ATBOYS" was actually the BoyLove symbol and written as follows: ATBOYS.com. It was further determined that "ATBOYS" is an acronym for Attracted To Boys.[5] These pedophilia symbols also appear on Web sites such as one of the banners advertised on www.boylover.net, shown below.[6]

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(U) Boylover.net banner

(U//LES) In another incident, FBI Sacramento was alerted by the California Department of Justice about an unusual marking on a coin. Research of the marking concluded that the BoyLover logo (BLogo) was imprinted on the front of the coin, and the phrase "Kids Love Pedos" was engraved on the back of the coin.[7] *(Coins depicting the BLogo are pictured on page one.)* The appearance of the BLogo on coins is another method used by pedophiles to announce their sexual preferences.

(U) Pedophilia symbols on jewelry, coins, Web sites and other effects are indicative of advertisement methods used by child sexual predators to promote their cause. Pedophile activists advocate for the social acceptance of sexual relationships between adults and children. These organizations seek to decriminalize sexual relationships between adults and children and to legalize child pornography based on their belief that children have the ability to consent to sexual acts.

(U//LES) Identical or similar jewelry and symbols as described in this intelligence bulletin should raise suspicion of possible pedophilia activity when found during searches. Investigators should also be attentive to pedophilia symbols advertised on Web sites. During examinations of computer files, investigators should be conscious of subjects who try to conceal child pornography by labeling them with symbols instead of the typical suggestive explicit names.

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